

Interim Directory of Legislative Committees and Activities

**Includes Other Committees
on Which Legislators Serve**

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Legislative Council and Legislative Services Division

http://leg.mt.gov/css/committees/administration/2007_2008/leg_council/default.asp

*Statutory Citation: Title 5, chapter 11, MCA
Article V, section 10(4), Montana Constitution*

The Legislative Council is a 12-member bipartisan committee composed of six members of the Senate and six members of the House of Representatives, including the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, and the minority leaders from each house.¹

The Legislative Council generally oversees the activities of the Legislative Services Division (LSD). Some of the specific duties described in Title 5, chapter 11, include:

- adopting rules governing personnel management for the Legislative Branch, including rules for employee classification and pay with the concurrence of the Legislative Audit and Legislative Finance Committees;
- appointing the Executive Director of the LSD;
- establishing time schedules and deadlines for interim committees, including dates for requesting legislation and completing interim work;
- assisting the LSD in providing oversight of the state governmental broadcasting service;
- appointing legislators to serve as members of interstate, international, and intergovernmental entities, based on recommendations made by legislative leadership; and
- approving the biennial Legislative Branch information technology plan.

Other Statutory Responsibilities

Sections 1-11-203, 1-11-301, and 1-11-302, MCA	Require the Legislative Council to provide general supervision of and policy direction to the Code Commissioner and to make decisions on the printing and cost of the Montana Code Annotated.
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Sections 1-12-101 and 1-12-102, MCA	Require the Legislative Council to appoint commissioners to the Montana commission on uniform state laws. The Council may accept recommendations for appointments from the state bar of Montana, the Montana Judges' Association, and the dean of the University of Montana law school.
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¹A member serving based on the member's leadership position who is in the last biennium of service because of term limits may appoint a legislator who is not term-limited to serve in place of the term-limited member.

Sections 2-1-406 and 2-1-408, MCA	In considering the legality or cost-effectiveness of a federal mandate, federal statute, or state program, the Governor may request assistance from the Legislative Council or its staff. Assistance is at the discretion of the Council.
Section 2-15-1808, MCA	Requires the Legislative Council to provide compensation to the legislative liaisons to the Montana Board of Investments.
Section 2-17-101, MCA	Provides for the Legislative Council to advise the Montana Department of Administration (DOA) in the allocation of space, aside from the House and Senate Chambers, for the use of the Legislature.
Section 2-17-518, MCA	Requires the Legislative Council to adopt adequate rules for the use of information technology resources as a part of the Legislative Branch computer system plan.
Sections 2-17-805 and 2-17-825, MCA	The Legislative Council provides advice to the DOA in establishing and maintaining a long-range master plan for the orderly development of the capitol complex. The council may prepare a written report of its activities and recommendations related to its duties to assist the Legislature in determining whether the recommendations should be implemented.
Section 2-18-201, MCA	Requires the Legislative Council to institute a broadband classification plan for employees of the Legislative Branch, other than those of the Office of Consumer Counsel.
Section 5-2-201, MCA	The Legislative Council designates the time for holding the pre-session caucuses.
Section 5-2-503, MCA	Legislative Branch entities defined as consolidated under section 5-2-504, MCA, including the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Legislative Council, the Legislative Services Division, the Legislative Finance Committee, the Legislative Fiscal Division, the Legislative Audit Committee, the Legislative Audit Division, and the Environmental Quality Council, must, among other requirements, follow the administrative policies adopted by and submit its budget proposals through the Legislative Council. The Senate and the House of Representatives or a consolidated entity with statutory hiring authority may hire its own personnel, subject to administrative procedures established by the Legislature and Legislative Council. The Legislative Council allocates office space occupied by the Legislative Branch for these consolidated entities.

Section 5-5-202, MCA	If there is a dispute among interim committees as to which committee has proper jurisdiction over a subject, the Legislative Council determines the most appropriate committee and assigns the subject to that committee.
Section 5-5-211, MCA	If the interim committee workload requires, the Legislative Council may request the appointing authority for interim committee members to appoint one or two additional interim committee members from the majority party and the minority party.
Section 5-5-217, MCA	Gives the Legislative Council the authority to select studies to be conducted during the interim and to assign the studies to the appropriate interim committees.
Sections 5-6-103, 5-6-107, and 5-6-108, MCA	Provide that the Legislative Council assign and establish guidelines for legislative interns.
Section 77-2-302, MCA	The Legislative Council serves as the appropriate legislative committee for consultation with the Board of Land Commissioners regarding the disposal, sale, or exchange of certain state lands.
Section 90-1-132, MCA	The State-Tribal Economic Development Commission must provide to the Governor, the Legislative Council, the Legislative Auditor, and to each of the presiding officers of the tribal governments in Montana a biennial report that summarizes the activities of the commission.

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The Legislative Services Division (LSD) is an independent, nonpartisan, impartial agency of the Legislative Branch, performing those duties and functions assigned by law or as directed or requested by legislators or legislative committees.

Assigned Studies

None

The LSD is divided into five offices: the Central Services Office, the Office of Research and Policy Analysis, the Legal Services Office, the Office of Legislative Information Technology, and the Legislative Environmental Policy Office.

The **Central Services Office** staff is responsible for general LSD administration, purchasing, publication distribution, payroll and personnel matters, final preparation of LSD documents (including engrossing and enrolling of bills and preparation of introduced bills), legislative printing and distribution, and legislator information and telecommunications.

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The Office of Research and Policy Analysis has primary responsibility for staffing interim committees, providing reference services, and staffing a library that provides access to items of special interest to legislators and Legislative Branch staff. The Legal Services Office is responsible for compiling, updating, editing, and indexing the Montana Code Annotated and preparing the annotations under the supervision of the Code Commissioner, who is also the Director of Legal Services. The Legal Services Office is also required to review all proposed initiatives for compliance with bill drafting standards.

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*Statutory Citation: Title 5, chapter 13, MCA
Article V, section 10(4), Montana Constitution*

The Legislative Audit Committee is a bicameral and bipartisan committee of the Montana Legislature. It consists of six members of the Senate and six members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Committee on Committees and the Speaker of the House, respectively. The Audit Committee appoints, consults with, and advises the Legislative Auditor. The Audit Committee reviews the audit reports submitted by the Legislative Auditor, releases the audit reports to the public, and serves as the conduit between the Legislative Auditor and the Legislature.

The Audit Committee meets about six times during the interim to review staff audit reports and fraud hotline results, review personnel and administrative procedures in the Legislative Audit Division (LAD), and generally oversee the Division's activities.

Other Statutory Responsibilities

Sections 2-8-105 and 2-8-112, MCA	Allow the Governor to provide a list to the committee of recommendations for agencies and programs to be terminated and subject to a performance audit during the next biennium. The committee has the authority to gather information on the designated programs and submit its recommendations to the next Legislature.
Sections 2-8-302 and 2-8-304, MCA	Provide that the Legislative Audit Committee receive plans from state agencies considering privatizing a program. The committee conducts a public hearing on the plan and releases a summary of the results of the hearing and the committee's findings and conclusions. The committee, in an advisory capacity, votes to recommend approval or disapproval of the plan to the Governor.
Section 2-15-2224, MCA	Gives the Legislative Audit Committee the authority to direct the LAD to provide information concerning the accuracy of performance measures data collection and reporting systems by the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services.
Section 5-11-105, MCA	Provides that the Legislative Audit Committee concur with the Legislative Council in adopting rules for classification and pay of Legislative Branch employees, other than those of the Office of Consumer Counsel.

Section 17-7-160, MCA	Requires the Montana Department of Justice each fiscal year to provide to the committee a detailed report on all positions in the Montana Highway Patrol.
Section 17-7-161, MCA	Requires the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks each fiscal year to provide to the committee a detailed report on all authorized game warden positions in the department.
Section 23-7-412, MCA	Lists the Legislative Audit Committee, along with the director of the lottery, the Lottery Commission, the Attorney General, and the Governor, as entities who may receive audit findings of lottery-related security invasion techniques.
Section 53-1-203, MCA	Requires the Montana Department of Corrections, prior to entering into a proposed contract for a period of 10 years, to submit the contract to the Legislative Audit Committee. The committee may submit comments and recommendations to the department.
Section 53-30-608, MCA	Allows the Legislative Audit Committee to request the Legislative Audit Division to review the procedures by which a contract to a private correctional facility was awarded and to review the contract prior to execution.
Section 90-6-124, MCA	Allows the Legislative Auditor, at the request of the Legislative Audit Committee, to perform an audit of the Montana Board of Housing.
Section 90-10-307, MCA	Requires the designated investor group of the Montana Capital Investment Board to provide a financial audit performed each calendar year by an independent auditor to the Legislative Audit Committee, the Governor, and the board.

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Assigned Studies

HJR 35 resolves that the LAD prioritize a performance audit of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks' weed management program and that the Legislative Auditor present findings from the performance audit, with recommendations for proposed legislation, to the 61st Legislature.

The Audit Committee appoints the Legislative Auditor, who heads the Legislative Audit Division (LAD). LAD staff monitor the efficiency and effectiveness of state agencies and audit agencies' financial affairs. The LAD also conducts information system audits to determine the effectiveness of the state's computer resources.

Specifically, an audit of a state agency is conducted to determine whether the agency is efficiently carrying out the activities and programs authorized by the Legislature; whether the agency is properly managing expenditures, using funds only to further authorized activities and in accordance with the requirements of applicable laws and regulations; whether the agency is properly accounting for all revenues, receipts, and expenditures arising from its activities; whether the agency is adequately safeguarding and controlling its assets and using them efficiently; and whether the agency is accurately reporting and fully disclosing its financial status and the scope of its activities and operations to the Governor, the Legislature, and central control agencies.

Section 5-13-311, MCA, provides for a toll-free hotline to the LAD that Montana residents may use in reporting fraud, waste, and abuse in state government. The LAD is responsible for maintaining the hotline, reviewing all calls received, keeping a record of each call, analyzing and verifying the information relayed in the call, and potentially conducting additional work to document the activity. The Legislative Auditor is required to periodically update the committee on the use of the hotline, results of the reviews, verifications, referrals, and any corrective action taken by the appropriate agency. The hotline number is 1-800-222-4446 outside Helena and 444-4446 from a Helena location.

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Statutory Citation: Title 5, chapter 12, MCA

The Legislative Finance Committee (LFC) consists of four members of the Senate Finance and Claims Committee appointed by that committee's chair, two members of the Senate appointed at large by the Committee on Committees, four members of the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee appointed by that committee's chair, and two members of the House appointed at large by the Speaker.

The LFC appoints a Legislative Fiscal Analyst whose duties are to head the Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD); provide information regarding state government financial matters; assist in estimating revenue from state taxes, fees, and other sources; analyze the executive budget; assist the Revenue and Transportation Committee in performing its revenue-estimating duties; and generally assist the Legislature in all matters of compiling and analyzing financial information.

Other Statutory Responsibilities

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Children, Families, Health, and Human Services

http://leg.mt.gov/css/committees/interim/2007_2008/child_fam/default.asp

Statutory Citation: Section 5-5-225, MCA

The Children, Families, Health, and Human Services (CFHHS) Interim Committee has administrative rule review, draft legislation review, program evaluation, and monitoring responsibilities for the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) and the entities attached to that department for administrative purposes.

Other Statutory Responsibilities

Section 2-15-225, MCA	Requires the Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC) to develop and implement benchmarks for state prevention programs for at-risk children and families. The ICC is required to report on these efforts to the CFHHS Committee.
Section 2-15-2225, MCA	Calls for the DPHHS to report performance data to the CFHHS Committee and to the Governor's Office of Budget and Program Planning. The committee must use the performance data to review the DPHHS's strategic planning documents as they relate to prospective legislation.
Section 46-23-210, MCA	Before July 1 of each even-numbered year, the Board of Pardons and Parole must report to the CFHHS Committee and the Law and Justice Interim Committee regarding the outcome related to any person released on medical parole since the last report, including health care costs and payments related to the care of the person released on medical parole.
Section 50-1-211, MCA	Mandates that the Cervical Cancer Task Force issue a report to the CFHHS Committee by August 1, 2008, detailing its findings regarding the use and usefulness of the human papillomavirus vaccine (HPV) in adolescents and to make recommendations to the committee about vaccinating adolescents. The task force must also recommend ways to educate the public about HPV disease, its modes of transmission, and the availability of the vaccine.
Section 50-4-805, MCA	Requires the DPHHS to provide regular interim reports on the status of the grant program for community health centers and program expenditures to the CFHHS Committee and Legislative Finance Committee.
Section 53-1-714, MCA	Requires the DPHHS to provide a biennial report on the statewide 2-1-1 system to the CFHHS Committee and to the Legislature.

Section 53-2-215, MCA	Calls for the DPHHS to present a section 1115 waiver proposal to the House Appropriations Committee or, during the interim, the CFHHS Committee after final approval from the federal government.
Section 53-4-1009, MCA	Requires the CFHHS Committee to specifically review rules related to the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).
Section 53-21-702, MCA	Mandates the Mental Health Oversight Advisory Council to provide a summary of each meeting and a copy of any recommendations made to the DPHHS to the Legislative Finance Committee and any other designated appropriate legislative interim committee.
Section 53-21-1102, MCA	Requires the DPHHS to develop a suicide reduction plan and report on the plan to the CFHHS Committee.
Section 4, Chapter 123, Laws of 2007	Calls for the DPHHS to report to the CFHHS Committee on the use of the children's system of care account no later than September 15, 2008, summarizing use of the children's system of care account in the 2009 biennium.
House Bill No. 2, Special Laws of May 2007	Study of mental health.

Membership

Joint Rule 30-70

At least 50% of the members must have served on the following session standing committees:

- House Appropriations
- House Human Services
- Senate Finance and Claims
- Senate Public Health, Welfare, and Safety

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HJR 48 The CFHHS and Economic Affairs Interim Committees have appointed a joint subcommittee to study health insurance reforms and publicly funded health care programs in Montana.

SJR 5 requests a study of acute care and rural emergency medical services.

SJR 15 requests a study of the impact of Montana's health care delivery system, including physician-owned health care facilities and specialty hospitals, on health care services in Montana.

HB 2, Special Laws of May 2007 study of mental health.

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Economic Affairs

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Statutory Citation: Section 5-5-223, MCA

The Economic Affairs Interim Committee has administrative rule review, draft legislation review, program evaluation, and monitoring responsibilities for the following Executive Branch agencies and the entities attached to those agencies for administrative purposes:

- Montana Department of Agriculture
- Montana Department of Commerce
- Montana Department of Labor and Industry
- Montana Department of Livestock
- Montana Office of the State Auditor and Insurance Commissioner
- Montana Governor's Office of Economic Development

Other Statutory Responsibilities

Section 2-8-404, MCA	Before January 1 of each even-numbered year, a legislative interim committee responsible for monitoring licensing boards and programs shall notify the department to which licensing boards or programs are administratively attached if the committee plans to review one or more licensing boards or programs to determine the need for a board or a program and the financial solvency or appropriate administrative attachment of the board or program.
Section 2-15-1019, MCA	Calls for two members of the committee to act as liaisons to the Board of Directors of the State Compensation Insurance Fund.
Section 2-15-2511, MCA	Requires two members of the committee to serve on the Rail Service Competition Council and requires the council to report to the committee.
Section 22-3-1002, MCA	Requires a biennial review by the appropriate interim committee of the Legislature of the administrative fee negotiated between the Montana Heritage Preservation and Development Commission and the Montana Department of Commerce.
Section 37-1-101, MCA	Establishes that the Montana Department of Labor and Industry must provide notice to the appropriate legislative interim committee when a board cannot operate in a cost-effective manner and make recommendations to the committee for legislation revising the board's operations to achieve fiscal solvency.

Section 37-1-107, MCA	The Montana Department of Labor and Industry is required to convene a joint meeting once every 2 years of two or more boards that have licensees with dual licensure in related professions or occupations, have licensees licensed by another board in a related profession or with similar scopes of practice, or have issues of joint concern or related jurisdiction with each other. The department must report to the interim committee responsible for monitoring boards with regard to attendance and issues of concern addressed by the boards.
Section 90-10-202, MCA	Calls for a member of the Montana Capital Investment Board to report once each calendar quarter while the Legislature is not in session to the committee on the board's progress.

Membership

Joint Rule 30-70

At least 50% of the members must have served on the following session standing committees:

- House Agriculture
- House Appropriations
- House Business and Labor
- House Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications
- Senate Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation
- Senate Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
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Assigned Studies

HJR 28 requests a study of business infrastructure and economic development.

HJR 39 requests a study of academic research and commercialization.

HJR 48 The Economic Affairs and CFHHS Interim Committees have appointed a joint subcommittee to study health insurance reforms and publicly funded health care programs in Montana.

SJR 13 requests a study of expanding value-added food production in Montana.

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Statutory Citation: Section 5-5-224, MCA

The Education and Local Government Interim Committee (ELGIC) is a joint bipartisan committee of the Legislature that meets between legislative sessions. The ELGIC acts as a liaison with local governments and monitors the operations of, and provides information to, the following Executive Branch agencies and the entities attached to those agencies for administrative purposes:

State Board of Education
Board of Public Education
Board of Regents of Higher Education
Office of Public Instruction

Section 5-5-224, MCA, also states that the committee shall:

- provide information to the Board of Regents in the following areas:
 - annual budget allocations;
 - annual goal statement development;
 - long-range planning;
 - outcome assessment programs; and
 - any other area that the Committee considers to have significant educational or fiscal policy impact;
- periodically review the success or failure of the University System in meeting its annual goals and long-range plans;
- periodically review the results of outcome assessment programs;
- develop mechanisms to ensure strict accountability of the revenue and expenditures of the University System;
- study and report to the Legislature on the advisability of adjustments to the mechanisms used to determine funding for the University System, including criteria for determining appropriate levels of funding;
- act as a liaison between both the Legislative and Executive Branches and the Board of Regents;
- encourage cooperation between the Legislative and Executive Branches and the Board of Regents;
- promote and strengthen local government through recognition of the principle that strong communities, with effective, democratic governmental institutions, are one of the best assurances of a strong Montana;
- bring together representatives of state and local government for consideration of common problems;
- provide a forum for discussing state oversight of local functions, realistic local autonomy, and intergovernmental cooperation;

- identify and promote the most desirable allocation of state and local government functions, responsibilities, and revenue;
- promote concise, consistent, and uniform regulation for local government;
- coordinate and simplify laws, rules, and administrative practices in order to achieve more orderly and less competitive fiscal and administrative relationships between and among state and local governments;
- review state mandates to local governments that are subject to sections 1-2-112 and 1-2-114 through 1-2-116, MCA;
- make recommendations to the Legislature, Executive Branch agencies, and local governing bodies concerning:
 - changes in statutes, rules, ordinances, and resolutions that will provide concise, consistent, and uniform guidance and regulations for local government;
 - changes in tax laws that will achieve more orderly and less competitive fiscal relationships between levels of government;
 - methods of coordinating and simplifying competitive practices to achieve more orderly administrative relationships among levels of government; and
 - training programs and technical assistance for local government officers and employees that will promote effectiveness and efficiency in local government; and
- conduct interim studies as assigned.

Other Statutory Responsibilities

Section 20-7-101, MCA Requires the Board of Public Education, prior to adoption or amendment of any accreditation standard, to submit each proposal to the Education and Local Government Interim Committee for review. The committee must request a fiscal analysis to be prepared by the Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD). The LFD must provide its analysis to the committee and to the Governor's Office of Budget and Program Planning to be used in the preparation of the executive budget.

Membership

Joint Rule 30-70

At least 50% of the members must have served on the following session standing committees:

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- House Education
- House Local Government
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- Senate Local Government

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HJR 22 Study payback and incentives for dental students.

HB 49 Require study of local government special purpose districts.

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Energy and Telecommunications

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Statutory Citation: Section 5-5-230, MCA

The Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee (ETIC) has broad oversight over a range of energy and telecommunication-related topics in Montana. The committee conducts interim studies as assigned by the Legislative Council and reviews the administrative rules proposed by the Montana Department of Public Service Regulation (DPSR) and the Montana Public Service Commission (PSC). Members also monitor the operation of the DPSR and PSC with specific attention to issues likely to require future legislative attention, opportunities to improve existing law through the analysis of problems, and the experiences of Montana's citizens with the operation of the agency that may be amenable to improvement through legislative action.

Other Statutory Responsibilities

Section 69-8-402, MCA Requires public utilities and cooperative utilities to submit annual summary reports of Universal System Benefits (USB) Programs to the ETIC. The electric USB currently in law expires in December 2009. And the 2007-08 ETIC intends to spend some additional time on the subject. The committee will collect and review public comments on USB before discussing potential legislation.

Section 90-4-1003, MCA Requires the ETIC to incrementally develop the components of a comprehensive state energy policy.

Membership

Joint Rule 30-70

At least 50% of the members must have served on the following session standing committees:

- House Appropriations
- House Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications
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Assigned Studies

The ETIC was not assigned any studies by the Legislative Council for the 2007-08 interim. ETIC members, however, forwarded their ideas for the committee to consider studying. Those suggested study topics are outlined in the draft work plan and proposed final work plan. At the July 10, 2007, meeting, the committee reached a consensus on the following topics:

- Study carbon sequestration;
- Study the costs/savings of wind power development; and
- Evaluate public power in Montana.

The ETIC will also devote time to the following topics:

- Evaluating Montana's energy transmission systems;
- The state of telecommunications in Montana; and
- Coal gasification/liquefaction water usage.

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*Statutory Citation: Title 5, chapter 16, MCA
Title 75, chapter 1, part 3, MCA*

The Environmental Quality Council (EQC) is a 17-member committee created by the Montana Environmental Policy Act (MEPA). In general, the EQC reviews and appraises state programs and activities related to the environment to ensure compliance with MEPA (Title 75, chapter 1, parts 1 through 3, MCA).

Other Statutory Responsibilities

Sections 2-4-402 through 2-4-412, MCA	Describe the administrative rule oversight powers and duties of the EQC.
Section 2-15-1514, MCA	Requires participation of a Legislative Services Division staff person on the Natural Resource Data System Advisory Committee.
Section 2-15-1523, MCA	Requires participation of a representative of the Legislative Services Division on the Ground Water Assessment Steering Committee.
Sections 5-5-202 and 5-5-215, MCA	Discuss the organization and duties of interim committees.
Section 75-10-111, MCA	Requires the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to circulate solid waste management and resource recovery plans to the EQC for its review.
Section 75-10-743, MCA	Requires the DEQ to report quarterly to the EQC on the use of money from the Orphan Share State Special Revenue Account for certain projects during calendar years 2005, 2006, and 2007.
Sections 75-10-913, 75-10-918, and 75-10-927, MCA	Require EQC participation in the Megalandfill Siting Act review process.
Section 77-2-366, MCA	Requires that a detailed report of the land banking program be submitted to the EQC by July 1, 2008.

Section 77-5-301, <i>et seq.</i> , MCA	The legislative statement of intent requires the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC), along with the technical committee charged with advising the department on implementation of the streamside management zone laws, to evaluate and report on the implementation of the act to the EQC.
Section 85-1-203, MCA	Requires the DNRC to submit a copy of the State Water Plan to the EQC.
Section 85-1-621, MCA	Requires the DNRC to submit a biennial report to the EQC describing the status of the Renewable Resource Grant and Loan Program.
Section 85-2-105, MCA	Establishes the EQC's water policy duties. The EQC is specifically required to analyze and comment on the state water plan, the state water development process, water-related research, and the adequacy of the water resources data management system.
Section 85-2-281, MCA	Requires the Water Court and the DNRC to report to the EQC on the progress of the adjudication process until 2020.
Section 85-2-350, MCA	Requires the Clark Fork River Basin Task Force to report annually to the EQC.
Section 85-2-436, MCA	Requires the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks to submit a summary report to the EQC by December 1 of odd-numbered years of all appropriation rights changed to an instream flow purpose in the previous 2 years.

Membership

The EQC consists of six senators, six representatives, four members of the public, and one nonvoting representative of the Governor. At least 50% of the Council's legislative members must be selected from the session standing committees that consider issues within the jurisdiction of the EQC.

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HJR 57 Study conservation easements on state land.

At the EQC's interim planning meeting, the members also agreed to conduct a study on climate change and to form an Agency Oversight Subcommittee to accomplish the Council's statutory duties.

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Fire Suppression Committee

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Session Law Citation: Section 1, Chapter 1, Special Laws of September 2007

The 2007 Legislature, during its September Special Session addressing fire suppression costs, established a Fire Suppression Committee to continue study of the issue. According to House Bill No. 1, the study must include investigations of: firefighting operations and management policies in Montana; the efficient use of fire suppression resources, including equipment and firefighters; impacts of operations on private land and on the effective use of private resources to fight fires; and state and federal forest management policies and how those policies may contribute to an increased number of wildfires, greater safety risk to firefighters, or compromised effectiveness of fire suppression efforts. The committee must complete the study by September 15, 2008, and report to the 61st Legislature on its findings and recommendations.

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The committee consists of six senators appointed by the Committee on Committees and six representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House. Three members of each the Senate and House must be from the majority party and three from the minority party.

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Statutory Citation: Section 5-5-226, MCA

The Law and Justice Interim Committee (LJIC) is a joint bipartisan committee of the Legislature that meets between legislative sessions. The LJIC: (1) monitors the activities of the Department of Corrections, the Department of Justice, the Office of State Public Defender, and the Judicial Branch; (2) examines law and justice policy issues; and (3) makes recommendations to the full Legislature. The LJIC's responsibilities include reviewing the administrative rules of assigned executive branch agencies (Department of Corrections, Department of Justice, and the Office of the State Public Defender).

Other Statutory Responsibilities

Sections 3-1-702 and 37-61-211, MCA	Require the Supreme Court administrator to report annually to the Law and Justice Interim Committee on the status of the development and procurement of information technology within the Judicial Branch and on expenditures for operations of certain commissions and other entities.
Section 41-5-2003, MCA	The Office of Court Administrator is required to report the results of its evaluation of out-of-home placements, programs, and services under the Juvenile Delinquency Intervention Act to the Department of Corrections, Cost Containment Review Panel, District Court Council, and Law and Justice Interim Committee.
Section 44-2-117, MCA	Requires the Montana Department of Justice to make periodic reports to the Committee regarding the degree of compliance to state laws regarding racial profiling by municipal, county, consolidated local government, and state law enforcement agencies.
Section 46-23-210, MCA	Before July 1 of each even-numbered year, the Board of Pardons and Parole must report to the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services and the Law and Justice Interim Committees regarding the outcome related to any person released on medical parole since the last report, including health care costs and payments related to the care of the person released on medical parole.
Section 47-1-105, MCA	Requires the Public Defender Commission to submit a biennial report to the Governor, the Supreme Court, and the Legislature. Each interim, the commission is also required to specifically report to the Law and Justice Interim Committee.

Membership

Joint Rule 30-70

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HJR 26 Study mental health treatment in the adult and juvenile justice systems.

HJR 50 Study mental health precommitment process.

SJR 6 Comprehensive examination of the juvenile justice system.

SJR 24 Examine prison population growth and diversion programs.

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Statutory Citation: Title 5, chapter 11, part 4, MCA

Legislative participation in the Computer System Planning Council is not required by statute, but the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate may, at their discretion, assign legislators to serve.

The Council is responsible for reviewing and maintaining the Legislative Branch computer system plan, investigating new applications, designing methods for automation, developing system standards and identifying the needs of the Branch's computer system, and coordinating new applications with the statutory goals of the Legislative Branch.

Other Statutory Responsibilities

Section 2-15-1021, MCA Calls for the Legislative Branch Computer System Planning Council to appoint a member that represents the Legislative Branch to the Information Technology Board.

Membership

The Council has nine members, including the Secretary of the Senate or a designee of the Senate President; the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives or a designee of the Speaker; the Sergeants-at-Arms in the two houses or another representative of each house designated by the Presiding Officer of the legislative administration committee of that house; the Executive Director of the Legislative Services Division, who serves as Presiding Officer; the Legislative Auditor; the Legislative Fiscal Analyst; the Consumer Counsel; and a nonvoting designee of the director of the Department of Administration.

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*Statutory Citation: Title 5, chapter 15, MCA
Title 69, chapters 1 and 2, MCA
Article XIII, section 2, Montana Constitution*

The Consumer Counsel represents Montana public utility and transportation consumers before the Montana Public Service Commission, state and federal courts, and administrative agencies in matters concerning public utility regulation. The Consumer Counsel, a position required by the Montana Constitution, is appointed by the Legislative Consumer Committee.

The Committee is required to meet at least quarterly and generally convenes eight to ten times per year. Meetings involve reports on Consumer Counsel staff activities, review and status updates of current cases, and review of contracts with expert witnesses. Two senators and two representatives, appointed by the Senate Committee on Committees and the Speaker of the House, respectively, serve on the Committee.

The 1997 statutory restructuring of the electric and natural gas utility industries is an issue of ongoing interest to the Committee, especially as utility rates are affected, and members will be monitoring the progress of the deregulation.

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Statutory Citation: Section 5-5-227, MCA

The Revenue and Transportation Interim Committee is a 12-member, joint bipartisan committee of the Legislature that meets between legislative sessions. It has administrative rule review, draft legislation review, program evaluation, and monitoring responsibilities for the Montana Department of Revenue (DOR) and the Montana Department of Transportation (MDOT).

The committee also conducts interim studies and generally reviews matters related to taxation and transportation.

The committee must prepare an estimate of the amount of revenue projected to be available for legislative appropriation by December 1 of even-numbered years for introduction during each regular session of the Legislature.

The committee may prepare for introduction an estimate of the amount of projected revenue during a special session of the Legislature in which a revenue bill or an appropriation bill is under consideration. The revenue estimate is considered a subject specified in the call of a special session.

Other Statutory Responsibilities

Section 5-12-302, MCA	Requires the Legislative Fiscal Analyst to assist the committee in performing its revenue estimating duties.
Section 15-1-230, MCA	Calls for the DOR to report to the committee at least once each year on the number and type of taxpayers claiming the credit for contributions to qualified endowments (section 15-30-166, MCA), the total amount of the credit claimed, the total amount of the credit recaptured, and the DOR's cost for administering the credit.
Section 15-30-140, MCA	Directs the committee to determine if a change in the relief multiple for the income tax credit for the amount of property taxes paid for statewide school equalization levies on a principal residence is justified, based on actual and projected revenue and spending and any other appropriate factors.
Section 15-31-322, MCA	The DOR must provide a biennial update to the committee of countries that may be considered a tax haven under section 15-31-322(1)(f), MCA.

Section 15-32-703, MCA	Requires the DOR to report to the committee at least once each year regarding the number and type of taxpayers claiming a tax credit for the costs of investments in depreciable property used for storing or blending biodiesel with petroleum diesel, the total amount of the credit claimed, and the DOR's costs for administering the credit.
Section 15-70-234, MCA	Requires the MDOT to report as needed, after negotiations are complete and before final agreement is submitted to the Attorney General, on the status of motor fuel tax cooperative agreement negotiations with the state's Indian tribes.
Section 15-70-369, MCA	Calls for the MDOT to report to the committee at least once each year on the number and type of taxpayers claiming a refund (1 cent a gallon for retailers or 2 cents a gallon for distributors of biodiesel sold), the total amount of the refund claimed, and the MDOT's cost associated with administering the fund.
Section 17-7-140, MCA	Upon determination of the budget director that the contingency in section 17-7-140, MCA, has occurred, the Office of Budget and Program Planning must report on the estimated amount of receipts.
Section 61-10-154, MCA	Requires a report from the MDOT at least once a year on the department's authority to stop and inspect, if probable cause exists, diesel-powered vehicles to determine compliance with provisions of the special fuels use tax and the impacts enforcement has had on the state special revenue fund.
Section 90-8-311, MCA	Requires the Montana Department of Commerce to provide a yearly report to the appropriate interim committee on Montana capital companies and Montana small business investment capital companies.

Membership

Joint Rule 30-70

At least 50% of the members must have served on the following session standing committees:

- House Appropriations
- House Taxation
- House Transportation
- Senate Finance and Claims
- Senate Highways and Transportation
- Senate Taxation

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HJR 61 Study of linkage of state and federal income taxes.

SJR 31 Study taxation and school funding.

HB 488 Study of property taxes and periodic reappraisal.

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State Administration and Veterans' Affairs

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Statutory Citation: Section 5-5-228, MCA

The State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee (SAVA) is a joint bipartisan committee of the Legislature that meets between legislative sessions. The SAVA: (1) monitors the activities of the Department of Administration, the Department of Military Affairs, the Office of the Secretary of State, the Office of the Commissioner of Political Practices, and entities attached to those departments and offices for administrative purposes; (2) examines policy issues that include procurement, information technology, state employee pay and benefits, tort claims, elections, campaign financing and practices, the National Guard and armories, veterans, disaster and emergency services, and public employee retirement systems; and (3) makes recommendations to the full Legislature on topics within the committee's purview. The SAVA's responsibilities include reviewing the administrative rules of assigned executive branch agencies (Department of Administration, Department of Military Affairs, the Office of the Secretary of State, and the Office of the Commissioner of Political Practices).

Other Statutory Responsibilities

Section 2-15-1205, MCA	Requires that a representative of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Committee serve as a nonvoting member on the Board of Veterans' Affairs.
Section 2-17-512, MCA	Calls for the Montana Department of Administration to report to the appropriate interim committee on a regular basis on the information technology activities of the department.
Section 5-11-210, MCA	Provides that the committee receive copies of all reports required under sections 17-6-230, 19-2-405, 19-2-407, and 19-20-201, MCA, provided to the Legislature via the Legislative Services Division.
Section 10-2-102, MCA	The Board of Veterans' Affairs must prepare a biennial report to the Governor, the Department of Military Affairs, the appropriate legislative interim committee, and veterans' service organizations that includes but is not limited to the latest information about the demographics of Montana's veteran population, a needs assessment, annual summaries of the veterans' special revenue accounts established in sections 10-2-112 and 10-2-603, MCA, and a review of the veterans' affairs budget.

Membership

Joint Rule 30-70

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HJR 46 requests a comprehensive cleanup and clarification of election laws including possible revisions that would allow or require all elections to be conducted by mail balloting.

HJR 59 requests a study of public employee retirement systems and the production of a legislator's guide on Montana's public employee retirement plans.

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State-Tribal Relations

http://leg.mt.gov/css/committees/interim/2007_2008/st_trib_rel/default.asp

Statutory Citation: Section 5-5-229, MCA

The mandate of the State-Tribal Relations Committee is to act as a liaison with tribal governments, encourage state-tribal and local government-tribal cooperation, conduct any assigned interim studies, and report its activities, findings, recommendations, and proposals for legislation to the upcoming Legislature.

Other Statutory Responsibilities

Section 90-11-102, MCA The State Coordinator of Indian Affairs must report in detail at every meeting of the committee regarding actions taken by the State-Tribal Economic Development Commission to carry out its duties.

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Water Policy

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Session Law Citation: Chapter 433, Laws of 2007

The Water Policy Interim Committee (WPIC) is a joint bipartisan committee of the Legislature created by the passage of House Bill No. 304 (2007) for the 2007-2008 biennium. The WPIC will meet during the interim to conduct a study based on the provisions of House Bill No. 304, including surface water/ground water interaction, exempt wells, water quality and water quantity, and other water-related issues that the committee deems important to review.

Other Statutory Responsibilities

Section 75-5-410, MCA	Requires the committee to review drinking water standards and effluent treatment standards in other jurisdictions and recommend appropriate treatment standards for the purposes of aquifer recharge and mitigation.
House Bill No. 2 Special Laws of May 2007	The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation must submit a final report to the WPIC by September 15, 2008, on its economic analysis of irrigated agriculture.

Membership

The WPIC is subject to the provisions of section 5-5-211, MCA, and the committee members appointed may be selected from the following standing committees: Senate Natural Resources and Energy; House Natural Resources; Senate Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation; House Agriculture; Senate Local Government; and House Local Government.

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Board of Directors of the State Compensation Insurance Fund

<http://montanastatefund.com>

Statutory Citation: Sections 2-15-1019 and 39-71-2313, MCA

The State Compensation Insurance Fund (State Fund) is a nonprofit, independent public corporation established for the purpose of allowing an option for employers to insure their liability for workers' compensation and occupational disease coverage. The Board of Directors of the State Fund helps insure that the fund remains financially solvent.

Membership

The board consists of seven members appointed by the Governor. The Executive Director of the State Fund is an ex officio nonvoting member. At least four members must represent State Fund policyholders and at least four members must represent private, for-profit enterprises. One of the seven members may be a licensed insurance producer.

The Presiding Officer of the Economic Affairs Interim Committee appoints two members from the committee, one from the majority party and one from the minority party, to serve as liaisons to the Board. Legislative liaisons serve from appointment through each even-numbered calendar year and may attend board meetings and receive board meeting agendas and information.

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Capitol Complex Advisory Council

Statutory Citation: Title 2, chapter 17, part 8, MCA

The Capitol Complex Advisory Council reviews proposals for long-term placement of displays or the naming of state buildings, spaces, or rooms in the Capitol complex; advises the Legislature on the long-term placement of statues, busts, memorials, monuments, or art displays within the Capitol complex; and advises the Montana Department of Administration (DOA) on interior decoration of the Capitol and on grounds maintenance and grounds displays.

By November 15 of each even-numbered year, the Council must report to the Legislature on requests that it has reviewed for naming buildings, spaces, or rooms and for long-term placement of items in the Capitol or on the Capitol complex grounds.

Membership

The Council consists of nine members, including two members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker, two members of the Senate appointed by the Committee on Committees, a public representative appointed by the Governor, and the director or the director's designee of each of the following agencies—the Montana Historical Society, the Montana Arts Council, the DOA, and the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks.

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Statutory Citation: Title 50, chapter 4, part 8, MCA

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Membership

The advisory group must represent all geographic regions of the state and consist of nine members appointed as follows:

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- two members of the Montana Senate appointed by the president, each from a different political party;
- one member designated by the Montana primary care association; and
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Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program Advisory Committee

Statutory Citation: Section 75-6-231, MCA

As provided in section 75-6-203, MCA, the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program is a "program under which the state may provide financial assistance to community water systems and nonprofit noncommunity water systems". The program is co-administered by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), which manages the technical components of the program, and the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC), which implements the loan program and issues the bonds that are used for the state match to the federal grant.

The revolving fund is a separate account in the state treasury from which loans can be made, debt obligations and insurance can be purchased, and other assistance can be provided to improve water systems.

Each year, the DEQ must prepare an intended use plan for the fund, which must include descriptions of the projects that program funds will assist and the amount and type of funds to be allocated. This plan is subject to public comment and review by the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program Advisory Committee.

Membership

The committee has six members. Two members are appointed from the Legislature. One member must be from the Senate and one from the House of Representatives and one must be from the majority party and one must be from the minority party. Other entities that must be represented include the Montana League of Cities and Towns, the Montana Association of Counties, the DNRC, and the DEQ.

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Economic Development Advisory Council

Statutory Citation: Section 2-15-1820, MCA.

The Economic Development Advisory Council provides direction and oversight to the Governor and the Montana Department of Commerce (DOC). Specifically, the Council:

- advises the DOC concerning the distribution of funds to certified regional development corporations for business development purposes;
- advises the DOC regarding the creation, operation, and maintenance of the Microbusiness Finance Program and the policies and operations affecting the certified microbusiness development corporations;
- advises the Governor and the DOC on significant matters concerning economic development in Montana;
- prescribes allowable administrative expenses for which economic development funds may be used by certified regional development corporations; and
- encourages certified regional development corporations to promote economic development on Indian reservations in their regions.

Membership

The Council is composed of up to 19 members. Fifteen of the members are appointed by the Governor and include the Director of the DOC, the Governor's Chief Business Development Officer who serves as Presiding Officer of the Council, one member from a Montana tribal government who represents a tribal economic development organization, and up to 12 public members representing each geographic region covered by each of the regional development corporations certified by the DOC. In addition, two representatives, including one from each party, are appointed by the Speaker of the House. Two senators, including one from each party, are appointed by the Committee on Committees.

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Statutory Citation: Section 2-17-1105, MCA.

The charge of the Electronic Government Advisory Council is to advise the Montana Department of Administration (DOA) on the creation, management, and administration of electronic government services and information on the Internet.

Membership

The Council consists of the following members:

- the Director of the DOA, who serves as Presiding Officer;
- the Secretary of State or the Secretary of State's designee;
- the Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee;
- the Director of the Department of Commerce or the Director's designee;
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- the State Librarian or the State Librarian's designee;
- a member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
- a member of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate;
- an elected local government official, appointed by the Governor;
- two representatives from state agencies that are not represented on the council, appointed by the Governor;
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Statutory Citation: Section 87-1-273, MCA

The Future Fisheries Review Panel is responsible for assisting the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks in reviewing projects submitted by public or private entities for funding and determining which projects are appropriate for inclusion in the Future Fisheries Improvement Program.

Membership

The Speaker of the House and the Senate Committee on Committees each choose a legislative member to serve on the panel. Eleven other members, representing the interests listed below, are appointed by the Governor or the Governor's designee. The panel is required to meet at least once every 6 months.

The Future Fisheries Review Panel must consist of at least 13 members, including but not limited to:

- two legislators,
- a representative of conservation districts,
- a representative with expertise in commercial agriculture,
- a representative with expertise in irrigated agriculture,
- a private fisheries restoration professional,
- two members who are licensed Montana anglers,
- a representative with expertise in silviculture,
- a Montana high school student,
- a representative with expertise in mining reclamation techniques,
- a representative with expertise in fisheries, and
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Statutory Citation: Section 2-15-2021, MCA

The Gaming Advisory Council, created in 1989, advises the Montana Department of Justice (DOJ) and other state agencies on public policy matters related to gaming, including changes to gaming statutes, the need for additional or modified department rules, and other gambling-related issues. The Council must submit to the DOJ a biennial report that includes the Council's findings and recommendations.

Membership

The Speaker of the House and the Senate Committee on Committees each select one person from their respective houses to serve on the Council. The remaining members are appointed by the Attorney General, with one representing the public, two representing local government, three representing the gaming industry, and one who is a Native American.

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Statutory Citation: Section 2-15-1021, MCA

The Information Technology Board provides a forum to guide state agencies, the Legislative Branch, the Judicial Branch, and local governments in the development and deployment of intergovernmental information technology resources. The board also advises the Montana Department of Administration (DOA) on statewide information technology standards and policies, the state strategic information technology plan, major information technology budget requests, and rates and other charges for services established by the DOA.

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The board consists of 19 members that include:

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- the chief information officer provided for in section 2-17-511, MCA;
- the director of the Governor's Office of Budget and Program Planning;
- six members who are directors of state agencies and who are appointed by the Governor;
- two members representing local government, appointed by the Governor;
- one member representing the Public Service Commission (PSC), appointed by the PSC;
- one member representing the private sector, appointed by the Governor;
- one member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
- one member of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate;
- one member representing the Legislative Branch, appointed by the Legislative Branch Computer System Planning Council;
- one member representing the Judicial Branch, appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court;
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Membership

The 22-member Council is composed of:

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- two persons who are employed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture;
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- two persons who are active in land information systems and represent public utilities or private businesses;
- one person who represents Indian tribal interests;
- one person who represents the Montana university system;
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Montana Consensus Council Board

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Statutory Citation: Section 2-15-1027, MCA

Originally established by Executive Order in 1994 and statutorily decreed in 2003, the mission of the Montana Consensus Council (MCC) is to promote fair, effective, and efficient processes for building agreement on natural resource and other public policy issues in Montana.

Membership

The MCC is governed by a Board of Directors constructed to represent a cross-section of Montana citizens. The Board consists of eight members: four members appointed by the Governor and four members appointed by legislative leadership.

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Session Law Citation: Chapter 469, Laws of 1997

Statutory Citation: Title 22, chapter 3, part 10, MCA

In addition to providing for numerous long-range building projects, House Bill No. 5 (Chapter 469, Laws of 1997) made possible the state's purchase and administration of Virginia and Nevada Cities and other historically significant state properties. To this end, HB 5 established the Heritage Preservation and Development Commission. The commission consists of 14 members. The two legislative members are chosen by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate. The Governor appoints nine members of the public with backgrounds in tourism, history and historic preservation, community planning, and business. The directors of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, the Montana Historical Society, and the Montana Department of Commerce also serve on the commission.

Although the commission is charged with overseeing the acquisition of culturally and historically significant properties throughout the state, its first order of business is to manage Virginia City and Nevada City.

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Natural Resource Damage Program Policy Committee

Session Law Citation: Chapter 454, Laws of 2007

The 2007 Legislature established the Natural Resource Damage Program Policy Committee to oversee the Montana Department of Justice's litigation seeking damages for injuries caused by the release of hazardous substances from the Upper Blackfoot mining complex, including the Mike Horse Mine and Dam.

Membership

The committee consists of the Governor's chief of staff, the directors of the Departments of Environmental Quality; Natural Resources and Conservation; and Fish, Wildlife, and Parks; the Attorney General; and four legislative members appointed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate, each appointing two members of their respective bodies, one from the majority party and one from the minority party.

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Rail Service Competition Council

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Statutory Citation: Section 2-15-2511, MCA

The duties of the Rail Service Competition Council are to:

- promote rail service competition that results in reliable and adequate service at reasonable rates;
- develop a comprehensive and coordinated plan to increase rail service competition;
- reevaluate the state's railroad taxation practices to ensure reasonable competition while minimizing any transfer of tax burden;
- develop various means to assist Montanans impacted by high rates and poor rail service;
- analyze the feasibility of developing legal structures to facilitate growth of producer transportation investment cooperatives and rural transportation infrastructure authorities;
- provide advice and recommendations to the Department of Transportation;
- coordinate efforts and develop cooperative partnerships with other states and federal agencies to promote rail service competition;
- act as the state's liaison in working with Class I railroads to promote rail service competition; and
- promote the expansion of existing rail lines and the construction of new rail lines.

Membership

The council consists of the following members:

- the director of the Department of Agriculture;
- the director of the Department of Transportation;
- the director of the Department of Revenue;
- the Chief Business Development Officer of the Office of Economic Development;
- Seven people appointed by the Governor with the following qualifications:
 - one person with substantial knowledge and experience related to Class I railroads;
 - one person with substantial knowledge and experience related to Class II railroads;
 - one person who is a farm commodity producer in the state and who has substantial knowledge and experience related to transportation of farm commodities;
 - one person with substantial knowledge and experience in the trucking industry in the state;
 - one person with substantial knowledge and experience related to transportation for the mineral industry in the state;

- ▶ one person with substantial knowledge and experience related to transportation for the coal industry in the state;
- ▶ one person with substantial knowledge and experience related to transportation for the wood products industry in the state; and
- two members from the Economic Affairs Interim Committee, one from the majority party and one from the minority party and one from each house of the Legislature, selected by the presiding officer of the committee with the concurrence of the vice presiding officer.

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Statutory Citation: Section 2-15-212, MCA

The Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission negotiates, on behalf of the Governor of the State of Montana, federal reserved water rights with the federal government and Montana's Indian tribes as part of the statewide water adjudication process.

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Federal Law Citation: 29 U.S.C. 2821

Statutory Citation: Section 53-2-1203, MCA

The purpose of the federal Workforce Investment Act (1998), as stated in 29 U.S.C. 2811, *et seq.*, is to "provide workforce investment activities . . . that increase the employment, retention, and earnings of participants, and increase occupational skill attainment by participants, and, as a result, improve the quality of the workforce, reduce welfare dependency, and enhance the productivity and competitiveness of the Nation". The Act further states that the "Governor of a State shall establish a State workforce investment board to assist in the development of the State plan" and to carry out other functions.

The State Workforce Investment Board serves in an advisory capacity to the Governor on workforce investment issues and provides broad oversight to Montana's two local Workforce Investment Boards. The State Board conducts much of its work through committees and has established the following committees for the 2007-2008 interim: Apprenticeship Committee, Economic Development & Business Retention Committee, Executive Committee, One-Stop Development Committee, WIA Title I Funding Task Force, Workforce System Committee, and the Youth Council. The Board is staffed from the Commissioner's Office of the Montana Department of Labor and Industry.

Membership

The Board must include:

- the Governor or the Governor's designee;
- two members of the House of Representatives, one from the majority party and one from the minority party, and two members of the Senate, one from the majority party and one from the minority party, appointed by the presiding officer of each respective chamber; and
- individuals appointed by the Governor, including:
 - ▶ representatives of businesses located in Montana who are owners of businesses, chief executive or operating officers, and other business executives or employers with optimum policymaking or hiring authority, including business members of local boards; and represent businesses with employment opportunities that reflect the employment opportunities in Montana;
 - ▶ chief elected officials of local government;
 - ▶ representatives of labor organizations;

- ▶ representatives of individuals and organizations who have experience with respect to youth activities;
- ▶ representatives of individuals and organizations who have experience and expertise in the delivery of workforce investment activities;
- ▶ representatives of the state agencies who are responsible for the programs and activities that are carried out by the one-stop centers, including but not limited to the Montana Department of Labor and Industry; the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services; the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education; and the Office of Public Instruction;
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The Council of State Governments

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Statutory Citation: Title 5, chapter 11, part 3, MCA

Section 5-11-304, MCA, authorizes the Legislative Council to facilitate Montana's participation in "appropriate interstate, international, and intergovernmental entities".

Montana is one of 13 states participating in the Council of State Governments-*West* (CSG-*West*). CSG-*West* provides a "nonpartisan platform for regional cooperation and collaboration among the legislatures of the thirteen western states by creating opportunities for legislators and staff to share ideas and experience with their colleagues".² The fundamental work of the CSG is accomplished through policy study committees with legislative representatives from each of the participating states.

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Transportation and Trade	Gallus	Essmann	French	Hilbert
Water and Public Lands	Lind	Jackson	Reinhart	Stoker
Western Legislatures	Gillan	Shockley	Becker	Vincent
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Section 5-11-305, MCA, authorizes Montana's participation in appropriate interstate organizations, the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) among them. NCSL is a bipartisan organization that serves only legislators and their staffs. NCSL provides research, technical assistance, and opportunities for policymakers to exchange ideas on the most pressing state issues and is an advocate for the interests of the states in the American federal system.

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In 2001, the Montana Legislature pledged its participation in the Pacific NorthWest Economic Region (PNWER). PNWER is a statutory, public/private partnership composed of legislators, governments, and businesses in the Northwest states of Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington and the Western Canadian provinces of British Columbia, Alberta, and the Yukon Territory. PNWER's mission is to promote greater regional cooperation by governments and business to enhance the region's global competitiveness, while striving to maintain or improve its environment.¹

PNWER consists of a Delegate Council, which includes the Governor or a designee and four legislators from each participating state and four representatives from each participating province and territory, and an Executive Committee consisting of one legislator from each participating state, province, or territory who is a member of the Delegate Council and four of the Governors, Premiers, or Commissioners or their designees.

Policy committees may be established to address specific topics. The Legislative Council is authorized under 5-11-305, MCA, to make Montana's policy committee appointments to the PNWER. The current committees are: Agriculture, Border Issues, Energy, Environment, Homeland Security, Trade & Economic Development, High Technology, Telecommunications, Health Care, Tourism, Sustainable Development, and Workforce Development.

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